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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held in Director's  
Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, on 19 July 1951

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Director of Central Intelligence  
Lieutenant General Walter Bedell Smith  
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Major General A. R. Bolling, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2,  
Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral Felix L. Johnson, Director of Naval Intelligence,  
Department of the Navy  
Major General Charles P. Cabell, Director of Intelligence,  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Dr. Malcolm C. Henderson, acting for Director of Intelligence,  
Atomic Energy Commission  
\*Brigadier General Vernon E. Megee, USMC, Deputy Director for  
Intelligence, The Joint Staff  
Mr. Meffert W. Kuhrtz, acting for Assistant to the Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

\*Dr. William L. Langer, Central Intelligence Agency  
\*Dr. H. Marshall Chadwell, Central Intelligence Agency  
[redacted] USA (Ret.), Central Intelligence

Agency

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\*Mr. Mose L. Harvey, Department of State  
\*Mr. Gordon Arneson, Department of State  
\*Colonel O. B. Sykes, Department of the Army  
\*Colonel M. B. De Pass, Department of the Army  
Colonel Benjamin B. Talley, Department of the Army  
\*Captain Ray Malpass, USN, Department of the Navy  
\*Dr. A. K. Brewer, Department of the Navy  
Colonel Edward H. Porter, Department of the Air Force  
\*Colonel J. C. Marchant, Department of the Air Force  
\*Mr. Spurgeon M. Keeney, Department of the Air Force  
Colonel Frederick P. Munson, The Joint Staff

\*James Q. Reber  
Secretary  
Intelligence Advisory Committee

\*Present for part of  
meeting only.

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Approval of Minutes

1. Action: The minutes of the meeting of 5 July 1951 (IAC-M-34) were approved subject to the revision of the first sentence of paragraph 4, to read, "The opinion was expressed by some that if in spite of Chinese Communists, UN Forces should approach the Manchurian border, the USSR would consider the situation very serious and might feel that they had no alternative but to intervene directly."

Likelihood of a Soviet Invasion  
of Japan During 1951 (NIE-37)

4. Action: It was agreed to cancel work on this estimate.

Coordination on Over-All Estimate  
of Soviet Capabilities

5. General Smith mentioned a request which the NSC Staff was considering for the preparation of an over-all estimate on Soviet capabilities particularly with respect to a direct attack on the U. S. He pointed out that such an estimate would require a joint effort between the intelligence agencies and the planners or operators. It was agreed, however, that a pure intelligence estimate should be prepared as a point of departure and Dr. Langer was directed to take whatever steps are appropriate prior to receipt of the NSC request.

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Soviet Capabilities and  
Intentions (NIE-25)

7. Action: This paper was returned to the IAC representatives for further discussion prior to IAC consideration.

Semi-Annual Estimate of the  
Status of the Soviet Atomic  
Energy Program (IAC-D-10/4)

10. Action: After considerable discussion the estimate was returned to the drafting committee with instructions to try to narrow the area of disagreement.

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